Iowa Finance Authority Rent Subsidy Program Appropriation Bill Senate File 527

Last Action:

Senate Floor

April 26, 2011

Executive Summary Only

An Act relating to the administration of the Iowa Finance Authority and making appropriations and including effective date provisions.

Fiscal Services Division
Legislative Services Agency

NOTES ON BILLS AND AMENDMENTS (NOBA)

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FUNDING SUMMARY

• The Bill appropriates \$658,000 from the General Fund to the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) for FY 2012 for the Rent Subsidy Program. This is a new General Fund appropriation. The Program was previously funded through the Senior Living Trust Fund at \$700,000 in FY 2011.

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NEW PROGRAMS, SERVICES, OR ACTIVITIES

• Creates a Community Housing for Persons with Disabilities Loan Program Fund. The funds are to be used for a revolving loan program under the Iowa Finance Authority to help keep Medicaid waiver-eligible individuals out of institutions and in permanent supportive housing.

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MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES, OR TRANSFERS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS

• Directs decategorization funds that would otherwise revert to the General Fund at the end of FY 2011 to be transferred to the Community Housing for Persons with Disabilities Revolving Loan Program Fund.

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DETAIL: It is estimated that between \$2.5 million and \$3.0 million will be available at the end of FY 2011 to be used for the Fund. This is one-time funding for FY 2012.

STUDIES AND INTENT LANGUAGE

• Requires participation in the Rent Subsidy Program to be limited to individuals at risk of nursing home placement and those eligible under the federal Money Follows the Person Grant Program. Permits the IFA to use up to \$35,000 for administrative costs.

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• Requests that the Auditor of State review the outside audit of the Iowa Finance Authority.

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SIGNIFICANT CODE CHANGES

• Permits the IFA to use money in the Shelter Assistance Fund for service evaluation and federal match for the Homeless Management Information System. Also allows up to 2.0% of the total amount of grants awarded through the Shelter Assistance Fund to be used for administrative costs.

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DETAIL: The Shelter Assistance Fund was transferred to the IFA in FY 2011. For the past five fiscal years the awards from the Fund have averaged \$921,000. The five-year average for administrative costs for the IFA and the contracted grant administrator has been \$37,000. The costs associated with service evaluation

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and match money for federal funds for the Homeless Management Information System have averaged \$119,000 over the past five years. These funds have been partially paid from the DED's Community Development Block Grant Funds.

EFFECTIVE AND ENACTMENT DATES

• This Bill takes effect on enactment.

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Summary Data General Fund

	Actual FY 2010		 Estimated FY 2011	Senate Action FY 2012		Senate Action vs. Est 2011		Page and Line #
	(1)		 (2)		(3)		(4)	(5)
Economic Development	\$	0	\$ 0	\$	658,000	\$	658,000	
Grand Total	\$	0	\$ 0	\$	658,000	\$	658,000	

Economic Development

General Fund

	Actual FY 2010 (1)		stimated Y 2011 (2)	Senate Action FY 2012 (3)		Senate Action vs. Est 2011 (4)		Page and Line # (5)
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lowa Finance Authority Rent Subsidy Program	\$ 0	\$	0	\$	658,000	\$	658,000	PG 1 LN 2
Total Iowa Finance Authority	\$ 0	\$	0	\$	658,000	\$	658,000	
Total Economic Development	\$ 0	\$	0	\$	658,000	\$	658,000	